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Los Padres National Forest revises closure order for areas impacted by last summer's Dolan Fire

SOLVANG, Calif.— Los Padres National Forest officials today announced that the closure order that took effect Jan. 22, 2021, has been revised to re-open additional areas on the Monterey Ranger District while maintaining closures on the heavily damaged roads, campgrounds and a hiking trail due to public safety concerns resulting from last summer's Dolan Fire. The new order will take effect tomorrow, Saturday, May 29.

Under this forest order, the public is prohibited from being on the Nacimiento-Fergusson (Forest Road 22S01) West of Nacimiento Campground to the Hwy 1 intersection and South Coast Ridge (Forest Road 20S05.4) from Prewitt Ridge Road (Forest Road 22S04) to the intersection of Nacimiento-Fergusson road at any time.

In addition, operating a motor vehicle on Central Coast Ridge/Cone Peak Road (Forest Road 20S05.3) is prohibited. Motor vehicle access on Arroyo Seco/Indians Road (Forest Road 19S09.3) from Memorial Campground for approximately 2.8 miles to the gate at Escondido Campground Road (Forest Road 19S09D) is not permitted.

The Kirk Creek Trail (Forest Trail 4E17) remains closed to the public along with the Chalk Peak and Escondido Campgrounds.

As a reminder, Los Padres National Forest is under elevated fire restrictions and campfires of any kind are only allowed in campground fire rings. To reserve a campsite in Los Padres National Forest, visit Recreation.gov. To learn about volunteer opportunities and how you can help us repair the Kirk Creek Trail, please contact the Supervisor's Office at (805) 968-6640.

This order will remain in effect from May 29 through July 28, 2021. For additional information to include closure maps, please visit the Forest website at https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/lpnf/home.

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